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EXPRESS MAIL RECEIPT NO.: EV085806735US

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

United States Patent Application No.: 09/801,023

HYDRAULIC PROPORTIONING SYSTEM

Filing Date: March 7, 2001

Docket No.: P1043US01 (26745-00035)

### Dear Commissioner:

Enclosed, please find the following documents for filing:

- Amendment Transmittal Letter (1 page); 1.
- 2. Response Second Action Species/Restriction/Election Requirement mailed March 4, 2004 (2 pages); and
- 3. An acknowledgment postcard.

No fee is believed to be associated with this filing. However, in the event of a fee deficiency, you are hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no.: 13-0110. Please reference our docket no.: P1043US01. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

David M. Sullivan For the Firm

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Bio-Cide International, Inc.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity) Applicant(s): William C. Hunt						Docket No. P1043US01				
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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:										
<ul> <li>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.</li> <li>Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.</li> <li>A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.</li> <li>The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</li> </ul>										
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<ul> <li>No additional fee is required for amendment.</li> <li>□ Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of         A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</li> <li>□ A check in the amount of to cover the filling fee is enclosed.</li> <li>☑ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-0110         A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</li> <li>☑ Any additional filling fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.</li> <li>☑ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</li> <li>□ Dated: April 2, 2004</li> </ul>										
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**PATENT** DKT. P1043US01

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	William C. Hunt & Neeraj Khanna	)		
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## RESPONSE TO SECOND ACTION SPECIES RESTRICTION/ELECTION MAILED MARCH 4, 2004

Sir:

This is in response to a second Office Action NOT on the merits. The action is an election/restriction requirement for an election of species for examination of the above-identified United States patent application.

#### Remarks

This response is to the Office Action mailed March 4, 2004, in which the Office places a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 requiring the Applicants to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

The Examiner has stated that the application contains claims directed to patentably distinct species of the claimed invention, namely Species I (Figures 1-5), Species II (Figure 6) and Species III (Figure 7). The Applicants provisionally elect Species I, on which generic claims